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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

The USPTO has restricted claims 40-81 of this application into Group I (claims 40-70), and Group II (claims 71-81).

Applicant elects the claims of Group I (claims 40-70) and provisionally withdraw the non-elected claims of Group II. The restriction is respectfully traversed in order to preserve the issue for subsequent petition since the examination of all of the claims is not believed to create an undue burden on the USPTO and that the subject matter among the groups is not independent and distinct as required by statute. Furthermore, different classifications as recited by the USPTO are not independent adequate grounds for restriction since the USPTO has historically examined applications containing multiple sets of claims.

In summary, Applicant elects the claims of Group I for further prosecution and provisionally withdraws the non-elected claims from consideration. Reconsideration and further prosecution on the merits of at least the claims of Group I are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,


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